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Ms. Luly E. Massaro, Commission Clerk Rhode Island Public Utilities Commission 89 Jefferson Boulevard Warwick, Rhode Island 02888

Dear Ms. Massaro:

We are filing, herewith, for effect July 5, 2003, tariff material consisting of:

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With this filing, Verizon proposes to modify the Rhode Island tariff by revising the regulations regarding termination penalties applied to disconnected Superpath channels. In addition to the existing regulations, this filing will allow customers to replace their Superpath channels with new channels without termination penalty as long as the term plan of the new service is equal to or greater than the term plan of the service being disconnected.

If you have any questions regarding this filing, please contact Frances O'Neill-Cunha of my staff at 401 525-3560.

Enclosed are an original and nine copies of the tariff material. Please return a copy of this letter and the tariff pages marked "Duplicate" with your stamp of receipt.

Respectfully submitted,

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Attachments

Verizon New England Inc.

## 2. SUPERPATH® 1.544 Mbps Digital Service

## 2.3 Regulations

## 2.3.4 Variable Term Payment Plan (VTPP)

- A. The monthly rates and S&E charges for Superpath are offered under the VTPP as described herein and in Part A, Section 1. The VTPP monthly rates and S&E charges are payable over the following Optional Payment Periods (OPP) as selected by the customer. The month-to-month, 36 months or 60 months OPPs are available to all Superpath customers. Only the local distribution channel, intra central office distribution channel and central office multiplexing and interoffice channels are eligible for the OPPs of 36 month or 60 months.
- 1. When a customer selects the S&E charge 36 or 60 month OPP, their S&E reflect a 50% reduction. The total number of S&E charges included in an OPP may not exceed the total number of local distribution channels included in the OPP.
- 2. The OPP selected for the S&E charges must be the same as the OPP established for monthly rates.
- **3.** An OPP may not be established only for S&E charges. The monthly rates for the channels which incurred the charges must also be included.
- **B. Termination Liability** If a customer terminates service or cancels an OPP before the expiration of a commitment period the customer is subject to a termination liability charge. If a customer terminates service prior to a minimum service period, the minimum service period charges also apply, in addition to the discounted monthly rates for each local distribution channel and for the interoffice channels. The termination charges applicable to Superpath are dependent upon the payment period selected by the customer (refer to Exhibit 2.3.4-1).
- 1. When a customer disconnects some or all discounted channel in order to replace them with other Telephone Company provided channels the appropriate minimum service period charges would apply. The termination liability does not apply provided that the orders for the new channels and the disconnect of the existing channels are placed with the Telephone Company at the same time, the new channels have an equal or higher channel capacity than the disconnected channels and the term plan of the new service is of equal or greater length than the remaining commitment period of the service being disconnected.
- 2. A customer may, at any time prior to the expiration of the selected payment period for an existing OPP, change to an OPP with a longer payment period at the then effective discount. No termination liability charges will apply for any services extended under the longer commitment period. The monthly rates applicable for the longer commitment period will apply effective with the next bill day following the request for the change.
- C. Transfer of Service will not be provided.

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